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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Before examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows (a marked up version pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.21 is attached hereto):

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 19 and 20, without prejudice of disclaimer:

Please substitute the following amended claims for the pending claims having the same claim numbers:

4. (Amended.) The method of claim 1, wherein the at least two homologous double-stranded template polynucleotides encode homologous enzymes, preferably amylases, proteases, cellulases, lipases, xylanases, or phospholipases.

5. (Amended.) The method of claim 1, wherein the solution comprises a population of cells or a lysate of a population of cells.

7. (Amended.) The method of claim 5, wherein the population of cells or the lysate of a population of cells comprises the mismatch repair protein(s).

8. (Amended.) The method of claim 5, wherein the population of cells, or the population of cells giving rise to the lysate, do not methylate newly synthesized polynucleotides.